

A Race Champion.

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we do not have to have white faces in order to be pretty. One of the Negro's weaknesses, is his desire for everything the white man has for his own happiness. A large tract of land stands idle for years, white men spend money and time in beautifying it for fashionable residences, big Negro raises a howl and enters a lawsuit because he is not desired as a neighbor. No one has heard of big Negro buying a tract of land settling it for his people. Every Negro settlement yet started has proven a failure because it did not receive the proper encouragement from wealthy Negroes. Ninety-nine wealthy Negroes from every hundred would rather live in a settlement of poor white renters than in an aristocratic settlement of their own people.

The idea of leading men arguing that amalgamation will solve the race problem. Even if the white race was in favor of such, there is but one thing it would accomplish and that would be the destroying of the race. When we shall have reached that point in our lives that we can teach our children that Christian character, education and wealth make men and women then and not until then will we be ready to denounce the South for its taxing our people without giving them any representation or consideration. We must get right ourselves remembering God made us all. He made some black, some white and others red, but He loves us all, and we should love each other and work together to the advantage of our National cause.

The photograph is that of Miss-Joe Ella Oliver. Miss Oliver is a fair sample of the black beauties that may be found all over the South, who consider it an insult to their mothers to tell them to whiten their skin, or straighten their hair.

Everybody knows that a piece of dyed cloth never looks as well and never gives the satisfaction as did the original. There is not an imitation in their entire world equal to the genuine. If it were possible to whiten the face of every Negro in America and straighten the hair as well, he would be that same "nigger" trying to be that which he is not.

Regardless of how we may be oppressed, it is decidedly better to be a Negro than the imitation of a white man. The idea of big Negroes making excuses for the Negro's color. Some say the climate is the cause and still others say God cursed him and made him black. Any ten year old boy knows that a majority of the people of the world are colored. If God was so unjust as to curse a majority of his children and put a life time seal upon their brow that an upright Christian character could not remove by earnest prayer, he would indeed be a foolish God.

I care not what others may say, twenty years' experience with the Negro as a churchman, as well as in every other capacity has taught me that we are not raising our children to meet the demands of the best citizens of our country. President Roosevelt is an embodiment of what every citizen black and white should strive to emulate. Any one who has read

of this great man knows that there is nothing that he abhors more than sham. In saying that he would be the last man in America to close the door of hope in a man's face because of the color of his skin, the president voices the sentiments of the wealthiest and most cultured citizens of our land.

I am pleading for our black girls, our black boys, our black women and our black men. Let every one who reads this notice, commence now. It is the appointed time. Let us reach and save the unreached boy and girl. Let us "rescue the perishing."

If I had ten million mouths and each mouth had as many tongues, I would use them all in exclaiming to the noble black women of our race throughout the world to not be discouraged. Be as proud of your color as the purest Anglo-Saxon woman is proud of hers; remembering that cleanliness is next to godliness. Let your deeds be as pure as is your noble blood. Teach your daughters the straight and narrow path that leads to eternal happiness. Teach them to love, honor and respect their own parents better than any other. You can do this in no better way than by decorating your homes with Negro pictures and Negro statues. Read Negro literature and from its pages learn the way to race elevation without which we can not and should not live.

BROM BONES.

Memphis, Tenn.

A WORD OF THANKS.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Tyson, of Brooklyn, N. Y., will spend Thanksgiving in Plainfield, N. J.

WILL NOT ACCEPT OFFICE.

Hon. George A. Myers, Ohio's Leading Republican, Declines a Position of Honor and Emoluments.

It is so unusual for a colored man to decline office, no matter whether it be one of importance or simply an insignificant one, that when we hear of one that will not accept he attracts attention. Hon. George A. Myers, of Cleveland, O., acknowledged to stand without a peer in the politics of the Buckeye State, has steadfastly refused to accept office of any kind, contenting himself with assisting his friends and worthy colored men to political preferment. When Herrick was elected Governor there was a general demand that Mr. Myers go on the Board of Managers for the Ohio penitentiary, one of the most important places under the Governor. Mr. Myers' friends urged him to accept and it was understood



MR. GEORGE A. MYERS,
Director, Cleveland, Ohio.

beforehand that the support behind him would land the position for him, one that no colored man has ever filled. But true to his determination not to accept office, he declined. The fact that Mr. Myers will not seek or accept office for himself, and that he is at all time unselfishly for his friends, makes him to-day the strongest colored political factor in Ohio, a prominence that no one can dispute with him. There have been plotters, men who have benefited by his friendship, who have endeavored to shear him of his prominence and power, but their efforts have only served to make him stronger and bring defeat and oblivion for the plotters. Myers has many loyal friends in Washington who appreciate him fully, and who will stand by him at every stage of the game. He's the stuff that lasts.

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